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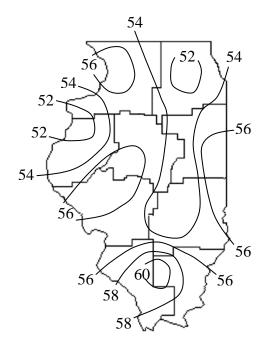
Agricultural Summary

Planting and fieldwork activities across Illinois increased this past week due to warmer weather. Some producers reported they have completed planting while others found it too dry to plant. Temperatures averaged 60.7 degrees, 7.8 degrees above normal across the state. Statewide precipitation averaged 0.05 inches, 0.92 inch below normal, with 6.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Corn jumped to 34 percent planted compared to 1 percent a year ago and 12 percent for the 5-year average. Soybeans are 1 percent planted and oats are 89 percent planted. Topsoil moisture was rated 1 percent very short, 13 percent short, 79 percent adequate and 7 percent surplus.

Crop Progress

	This	Last	2009	5-Year
	Week	Week	2005	Average
		April	18	
CORN:				
Planted	34	1	1	12
Emerged	1	0	0	1
SOYBEANS:				
Planted	1	1/	0	0
OATS:				
Planted	89	73	48	56

^{1/} Less than one percent.



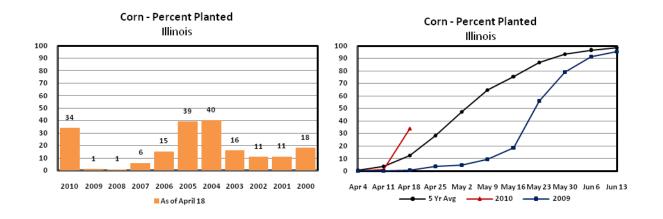
Bare Soil 4-inch Temp (°F) April 18 10 a.m.

Crop Conditions

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	April 18				
Winter Wheat	12	19	33	34	2
Alfalfa	2	4	21	66	7
Red Clover	1	1	15	78	5
Pasture	1	3	21	61	14

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Table

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District	Days Suitable	Topsoil Moisture				
DISCITCE	For Fieldwork	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	April 12 - 18		April 18			
Northwest	6.6	1	13	84	2	
Northeast	6.8	-	13	86	1	
West	6.6	-	3	85	12	
Central	6.6	1	12	84	3	
East	6.3	-	18	82	-	
W Southwest	6.2	_	11	74	15	
E Southeast	5.7	_	15	69	16	
Southwest	6.8	2	28	56	14	
Southeast	6.0	_	1	88	11	
State	6.4	1	13	79	7	

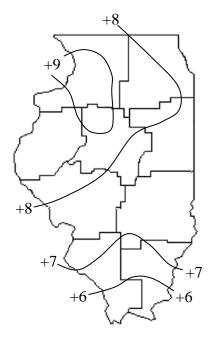


Crop Progress Percents by Districts

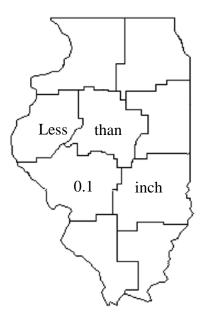
District	Corn
	Planted
	April 18
Northwest	30
Northeast	26
West	23
Central	42
East	38
W Southwest	31
E Southeast	37
Southwest	67
Southeast	36
State	34

Weather Information Table

District	Tempe	rature	Precipitation			
DISTILCT	Average	Departure	Total	Departure		
	April 12 - 18					
Northwest	58.8	9.1	0.03	-0.90		
Northeast	57.3	8.1	0.03	-0.95		
West	61.7	8.8	0.08	-0.88		
Central	60.4	8.3	0.06	-0.90		
East	59.4	7.8	0.04	-0.85		
W Southwest	62.0	7.6	0.03	-0.99		
E Southeast	62.1	7.6	0.05	-0.94		
Southwest	62.5	6.2	0.04	-0.94		
Southeast	62.9	6.4	0.08	-0.93		
State	60.7	7.8	0.05	-0.92		



Temperature (°F) Departure April 12 - 18



Precipitation (in.) Total April 12 - 18

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